

FISCAL YEAR 2011 DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION AND APPROPRIATIONS FORM

Orrin G. Hatch (R-Utah)

United States Senator

Instructions

- In order to permit greater transparency of congressionally-directed spending requests, all Defense Authorization and Appropriation requests submitted to the Office of Senator Orrin G. Hatch will be posted on the Senator's official office website.
- In order to facilitate this process, please complete all three pages of this form and return it to William_Castle@Hatch.Senate.gov NO LATER than the close of business on Friday, February 26, 2010.
- Except for signatures, all responses must be typed.
- A completed form must be submitted for each individual request.

1. Project Name: Life Sciences Test Facility Addition – Dugway Proving Ground 2. Request (in dollars): Funding Recipient and Project Location 5. Suggested Recipient: Dugway Proving Ground 6. Suggested Location of Performance: City: Dugway State: Utah

Budget Line Item Information

6. Please include the applicable Service, Account, Line, Budget Activity and/or Program Element information.

Military Construction, Army Project # 55823

Project Purpose and Explanation

7. Purpose of the Project: (Limit of 250 Words) Please be precise and concise.

After the events of September 11, the nation recognized the need to increase dramatically the testing of equipment and the development of the tactics necessary to mitigate the effects of chemical and biological weapons. Dugway Proving Ground in our nation's only Chemical and Biological Defense Proving Ground. At present, much of this testing is performed at the current Life Sciences Test Facility ("LSTF").

The LSTF was designed in the late 1980s to accommodate only 22 scientific personnel. Currently due to the urgent needs of the nation, there are 65 individuals dedicated to LSTF testing and training missions. Unfortunately, this lack of infrastructure has led to over 25 scientists working in four trailers outside the LSTF. Even more alarming is the lack of Bio-Safety Level Two and Bio-Safety Level Three laboratory space, which is required to complete efficiently the testing needs of the nation. These shortfalls would be corrected by accelerating the construction of the addition to the LSTF. The addition would house ten Bio-Safety Level Two labs, five Bio-Safety Level Three labs and an aerosol chamber.

8. Explanation as to why this spending is in the interests of taxpayers: (Limit of 250 Words) Please be precise and concise.

This project will permit the more efficient testing of equipment designed to mitigate the effects of chemical and biological weapons.